

Vermont Department of Environmental Conservation
Watershed Management Division

Wastewater Fees

Discharge Permits and Pretreatment Discharge Permits
Issued under 10 VSA Chapter 47
Effective July 1, 2012

An applicant or permittee regulated under Chapter 47 is subject to three different fees:

Administrative Processing Fees apply to applications for new/original permits, permit amendments, transfer of permit and renewal permits including individual and general permits. The fee is \$120 per application.

Application Review Fees are payable for review of

- Original applications
- Applications for amendment for increased flows
- Applications for a change in a treatment process, and
- Applications for amendment for modification or replacement of system

The application review fee does not apply to applications for renewal, transfer or minor amendment of an individual permit. A list of minor amendments follows the fee schedule on page 2.

Annual Operating Fees will be billed to all persons who hold operating permits. The rate charged depends on the type of permit or discharge.

Fee Schedule

| Permit / Discharge | Application Review Fee Effective 7/1/2012 |
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| Municipal, industrial, noncontact cooling water and thermal discharges | \$0.0023 per gallon design flow; Minimum \$50.00 per outfall; Maximum \$30,000.00 per application |
| Pretreatment discharges | \$0.12 per gallon design flow; Minimum \$50.00 per outfall |

Only the administrative processing fee is required for permittee requests for minor permit amendments. Minor permit amendments require minimal or no technical staff review and include the following permit actions:

- Transfer of ownership
- Permittee name change
- Reduction in monitoring frequency
- Delete parameters from the table of monitored parameters
- Change in sample type or duration
- Change in units of measurement
- Change in sampling location
- Change in requirement for certified operator or in the operator grade level required
- Change inspection date or inspection report submittal date
- Modify implementation schedule dates with regard to periodic status report submittals

| Permit/Discharge | Operating Fee Effective 7/1/2012 |
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| Industrial, noncontact cooling water and thermal discharges – individual permit | \$0.001 per gallon design capacity; \$150.00 minimum; Maximum \$210,000.00 |
| Municipal discharges | \$0.003 per gallon of actual flows; \$150.00 minimum; Maximum \$12,500.00 |
| Pretreatment discharges | \$0.0385 per gallon design capacity; \$150.00 minimum Maximum \$27,500.00 |